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In re PATENT APPLICATION of SASAKI, et al.

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Title: INK-JET RECORDING MATERIAL AND INK-JET RECORDING METHOD

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 28, 2010, please consider the applicant's following remarks. Reconsideration and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 2, 4-15, 18-21, 23 and 25 are pending in this application. Claims 7 and 10-15 are previously withdrawn. Claims 3, 16, 17, 22 and 24 are previously cancelled. The applicant appreciates the Examiner's finding of allowable subject matter in the present application.

However, the applicant respectfully traverses the rejection of claims 1, 2, 23 and 25 under 35 USC 102(b) in view of EP 0601594 (EP '594). This reference does not anticipate the presently claimed invention or make it obvious.